

Classical small systems coupled to finite baths

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Abstract

We have studied the properties of a classical N_S -body system coupled to a bath containing N_B -body harmonic oscillators, employing an $(N_S + N_B)$ model which is different from most of the existing models with $N_S = 1$. We have performed simulations for N_S -oscillator systems, solving $2(N_S + N_B)$ first-order differential equations with $N_S \simeq 1 - 10$ and $N_B \simeq 10 - 1000$, in order to calculate the time-dependent energy exchange between the system and the bath. The calculated energy in the system rapidly changes while its envelope has a much slower time dependence. Detailed calculations of the stationary energy distribution of the system $f_S(u)$ (u : an energy per particle in the system) have shown that its properties are mainly determined by N_S but weakly depend on N_B . The calculated $f_S(u)$ is analyzed with the use of the Γ and q - Γ distributions: the latter is derived with the superstatistical approach (SSA) and microcanonical approach (MCA) to the nonextensive statistics, where q stands for the entropic index. Based on analyses of our simulation results, a critical comparison is made between the SSA and MCA. Simulations have been performed also for the N_S -body ideal-gas system. The effect of the coupling between oscillators in the bath has been examined by additional $(N_S + N_B)$ models which include baths consisting of coupled linear chains with periodic and fixed-end boundary conditions.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The study on open systems is one of the important areas in classical and quantum statistics [1]. In the theory of open systems, the deterministic dynamics of particles in the system is replaced by the stochastic Langevin equation in the classical limit. The problem has been investigated with the use of various models in which a single particle (the system) is attached at the center (or edge) of a linear chain [2, 3], or it is coupled to a bath consisting of a collection of harmonic oscillators [4]-[13]. Many studies have been made for open systems by using the Caldeira-Leggett (CL) model given by [4–6]

$$H_{CL} = \frac{P^2}{2M} + V(Q) + \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left[\frac{p_n^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega_n^2}{2} \left(q_n - \frac{c_n}{m\omega_n^2} Q \right)^2 \right], \quad (1)$$

where M (m), P (p_n) and Q (q_n) denote the mass, momentum and coordinate of a particle in a system (bath), $V(Q)$ stands for the potential in the system, ω_n the frequency of the n th oscillator in the N_B -body bath and c_n the coupling constant between the system and bath. The CL model was originally introduced for infinite bath ($N_B \rightarrow \infty$). In recent years, the CL model has been employed for a study of properties of a small system coupled to a *finite* bath [9]-[13]. A thermalization of a particle (the system) coupled to a finite bath has been investigated [9, 10]. It has been shown that a complete thermalization of the particle requires some conditions for relative ranges of oscillating frequencies in the system and bath [9, 10]. The specific heat of a single oscillator (the system) coupled to finite bath has been studied with the use of two different evaluation methods [11, 12]. The energy exchange between particles in a ratchet potential (the system) and finite bath ($N_B = 1 - 500$) has been investigated [13].

Ford and Kac proposed the model given by [7]

$$H_{FK} = \frac{P^2}{2M} + V(Q) + \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left[\frac{p_n^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega_n^2}{2} (q_n - Q)^2 \right], \quad (2)$$

which is referred to as the FK model. The CL and FK models are formally equivalent [7] because Eq. (2) may be derived from Eq. (1) with $c_n = m\omega_n^2$. However, the physical meanings of the coupling term in the CL and MK models are not the same. The CL model was initially introduced such that we take into account a linear coupling of $-Q \sum_n c_n q_n$ between system and bath [4], and then the counter term of $c_n^2 Q^2 / m\omega_n^2$ was included for a compensation of the renormalization in the oscillating frequency by the introduced interaction. In contrast,

the interaction term in Eq. (2) of the FK model clearly expresses the quadratic potential of springs between Q and q_n . It is evident that the interaction term of the FK model in Eq. (2) preserves the translational invariance whereas that of the CL model in Eq. (1) does not in a strict sense [14–16] except for $c_n = m\omega_n^2$ for which the CL model reduces to the FK model as mentioned above. The importance of the translationally invariant interaction in the system plus bath models has been discussed in Refs. [14–16].

In existing models which have been proposed for open systems [5]–[13], the number of particles in a systems is taken to be unity ($N_S = 1$) while a generic open system may contain any number of particles. It is necessary to develop an $(N_S + N_B)$ model including *finite* N_S -body system ($N_S \geq 1$) coupled to N_B -body bath, with which we may investigate the properties of generic small systems. Extending the FK model, we will propose in this paper three types of $(N_S + N_B)$ models (referred to as A, B and C). In the model A a bath consists of uncoupled oscillators, and in the models B and C baths contain coupled oscillators with the periodic and fixed-end boundary conditions, respectively. They are adopted for a study on effects of couplings in bath oscillators.

In the last decade, many studies have been made for nonextensive statistics initially proposed by Tsallis [17]–[20]. In nonextensive systems, the probability distribution generally does not follow the Gaussian, but it is well described by the q -exponential distribution,

$$p(u) \propto e_q^{-\beta_0 u} = [1 - (1 - q)\beta_0 u]_+^{1/(1-q)}, \quad (3)$$

where an inverse of the effective temperature β_0 and the entropic index q are fitting parameters, and the q -exponential function e_q^x is defined by [17]–[20]

$$e_q^x = [1 + (1 - q)x]_+^{1/(1-q)}, \quad (4)$$

with $[y]_+ = \max(y, 0)$. In the limit of $q \rightarrow 1.0$, e_q^x reduces to the exponential function e^x . In a seminal paper [17], the q -exponential distribution was first derived by the maximum-entropy method with the use of the so-called Tsallis entropy. Later superstatistical [21, 22] and microcanonical methods [23, 24] have been proposed as alternative approaches to nonextensive statistics. Recent development has shown that small systems belong to nonextensive systems [20]. Performing direct simulation (DS) for the proposed $(N_S + N_B)$ model with the system containing independent N_S oscillators (the model A), we have calculated the stationary distribution of the system of $f_S(u)$ for the energy per particle u ($= E_S/N_S$, E_S :

the system energy). The calculated distribution is well described by the q - Γ distribution given by

$$f_S(u) \propto u^{a-1} e_q^{-bu}, \quad (5)$$

where a , b and q are fitting parameters. It is easy to see that in the limit of $q \rightarrow 1.0$, the q - Γ distribution reduces to the conventional Γ distribution. As will be shown in Sec. III, superstatistical approach (SSA) [21, 22] and microcanonical approach (MCA) [23]-[29] lead to the equivalent expressions for $f_S(u)$ given by Eq. (5) with $a = N_S$ and $b = \beta_0 N_S$, but with different expressions for the entropic index q :

$$q = \begin{cases} 1 + \frac{1}{N_S} \geq 1.0 & \text{in the SSA,} \\ 1 - \frac{1}{(N_B-1)} \leq 1.0 & \text{in the MCA.} \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

The entropic index in the SSA is expressed in terms of a system parameter (N_S), while that in the MCA is expressed in terms of a bath parameter (N_B). This difference is serious from the physical viewpoint of small open systems. The purpose of the present paper is twofold: to develop the $(N_S + N_B)$ model in which an open system contains finite N_S particles, and to investigate the validity of the stationary distribution functions derived in the SSA [21, 22] and MCA [23]-[29]. This is the first study on open systems with finite N_S (≥ 1) as far as we are aware of.

The paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II, we propose the model A mentioned above, for which we perform DS of $2(N_S + N_B)$ differential equations for the N_S -oscillator system in order to calculate the time-dependent energy exchange between the system and bath. We present detailed calculations of $f_S(u)$, changing model parameters such as N_S , N_B , frequency distribution, mass of oscillators in the bath, and coupling strength between the system and bath. In Sec. III, we analyze the calculated $f_S(u)$ by using the Γ distribution [Eq. (36)] and the q - Γ distribution [Eq. (5) or (45)]. The former is derived based on the Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics and the latter is obtained with the SSA [21, 22] and MCA [23]-[29] of the nonextensive statistics. DS has been made also for the system consisting of N_S -body ideal gases, whose results are compared to those of oscillators. We introduce the models B and C, whose DS for the oscillator systems will be reported. A comparison is made among Langevin equations derived in various models for open systems. The final Sec. IV is devoted to our conclusion.

II. ADOPTED $(N_S + N_B)$ MODEL

A. A system with bath containing uncoupled oscillators

We consider a system (H_S) and a bath (H_B) consisting of independent N_S and N_B one-dimensional oscillators, respectively, which are coupled by the interaction (H_I). We assume that the total Hamiltonian is given by

$$H = H_S + H_B + H_I, \quad (7)$$

with

$$H_S = \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \left[\frac{P_k^2}{2M} + V(Q_k) \right] - f(t) \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k, \quad (8)$$

$$H_B = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left[\frac{p_n^2}{2m} + v(q_n) \right], \quad (9)$$

$$H_I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_{kn} (Q_k - q_n)^2, \quad (10)$$

$$v(q_n) = \frac{b_n}{2} q_n^2 = \frac{m\omega_n^2}{2} q_n^2 \quad (\text{model A}), \quad (11)$$

which is referred to as the model A. Here M (m) denotes the mass, P_k (p_n) the momentum, Q_k (q_n) position of the oscillator, $V(Q_k)$ ($v(q_n)$) the potential in the system (bath), c_{kn} coupling constant, b_n and ω_n spring constant and frequency in the bath, respectively, and $f(t)$ an external force. A simple generalization of the FK model [Eq. (2)] yields the model Hamiltonian given by Eq. (7) with H_S given by Eq. (8), $H_B = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} p_n^2/2m$ and $H_I = \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} (m\omega^2/2)(q_n - Q_k)^2$. In our model Hamiltonian, we have added $v(q_n)$ in H_B such that the Hamiltonian is symmetric with respect to an exchange of system \leftrightarrow bath (for $f(t) = 0$) and such that we may discuss the coupled oscillators in baths (model B and C). Furthermore, we have included coupling c_{kn} in place of $m\omega^2$ in H_I of the generalized FK model in order to study the effect of system-bath couplings. We note that H_I in Eq. (10) may be rewritten as

$$H_I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_{kn} \right) Q_k^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{N_S} c_{kn} \right) q_n^2 - \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_{kn} Q_k q_n. \quad (12)$$

Absorbing the first and second terms in Eq. (12) to H_S and H_B , respectively, we may regard the last term as the interaction. Such a model Hamiltonian with a linear coupling of $-\sum_k \sum_n c_{kn} Q_k q_n$ corresponds to the generalized CL model for finite N_S .

From Eqs. (7)-(11), we obtain $2(N_S + N_B)$ first-order differential equations,

$$\dot{Q}_k = \frac{P_k}{M}, \quad (13)$$

$$\dot{P}_k = -V'(Q_k) - \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_{kn}(Q_k - q_n) + f(t), \quad (14)$$

$$\dot{q}_n = \frac{p_n}{m}, \quad (15)$$

$$\dot{p}_n = -m\omega_n^2 q_n - \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} c_{kn}(q_n - Q_k), \quad (16)$$

which yield

$$M\ddot{Q}_k = -V'(Q_k) - \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_{kn}(Q_k - q_n) + f(t), \quad (17)$$

$$m\ddot{q}_n = -m\omega_n^2 q_n - \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} c_{kn}(q_n - Q_k), \quad (18)$$

prime (') and dot (·) denoting derivatives with respect to the argument and time, respectively.

A formal solution of Eq. (18) for $q_n(t)$ is given by

$$q_n(t) = q_n(0) \cos \tilde{\omega}_n t + \frac{\dot{q}_n(0)}{\tilde{\omega}_n} \sin \tilde{\omega}_n t + \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_S} \frac{c_{\ell n}}{m\tilde{\omega}_n} \int_0^t \sin \tilde{\omega}_n(t-t') Q_\ell(t') dt', \quad (19)$$

with

$$\tilde{\omega}_n^2 = \frac{b_n}{m} + \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \frac{c_{kn}}{m} = \omega_n^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \frac{c_{kn}}{m}. \quad (20)$$

Substituting Eq. (19) to Eq. (17), we obtain the Langevin equation given by

$$\begin{aligned} M\ddot{Q}_k(t) &= -V'(Q_k) - M \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_S} \xi_{k\ell} Q_\ell(t) - \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_S} \int_0^t \gamma_{k\ell}(t-t') \dot{Q}_\ell(t') dt' \\ &- \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_S} \gamma_{k\ell}(t) Q_\ell(0) + \zeta_k(t) + f(t) \quad (k = 1 \text{ to } N_S), \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

with

$$M\xi_{k\ell} = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left[c_{kn} \delta_{k\ell} - \frac{c_{kn} c_{\ell n}}{m\tilde{\omega}_n^2} \right], \quad (22)$$

$$\gamma_{k\ell}(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left(\frac{c_{kn} c_{\ell n}}{m\tilde{\omega}_n^2} \right) \cos \tilde{\omega}_n t, \quad (23)$$

$$\zeta_k(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_{kn} \left[q_n(0) \cos \tilde{\omega}_n t + \frac{\dot{q}_n(0)}{\tilde{\omega}_n} \sin \tilde{\omega}_n t \right], \quad (24)$$

where $\xi_{k\ell}$ denotes the additional interaction between k and ℓ th particles in the system induced by couplings $\{c_{kn}\}$, $\gamma_{k\ell}(t)$ the memory kernel and ζ_k the stochastic force.

If the equipartition relation is realized in initial values of $q_n(0)$ and $\dot{q}(0)$,

$$\langle m\tilde{\omega}_n^2 q_n(0)^2 \rangle_B = \langle m\dot{q}_n(0)^2 \rangle_B = k_B T, \quad (25)$$

we obtain the fluctuation-dissipation relation:

$$\langle \zeta_k(t)\zeta_k(t') \rangle_B = k_B T \gamma_{kk}(t - t'), \quad (26)$$

where $\langle \cdot \rangle_B$ stands for the average over variables in the bath.

In the case of $N_B \rightarrow \infty$, summations in Eqs. (22)-(24) are replaced by integrals. When the density of states ($D(\omega) = N_B^{-1} \sum_n \delta(\omega - \omega_n)$) is given by the Debye form: $D(\omega) \propto \omega^2$ for $0 \leq \omega < \omega_D$, the kernel becomes

$$\gamma(t) \propto \frac{\sin \omega_D t}{\pi t} \propto \delta(t), \quad (27)$$

which leads to the Markovian Langevin equation.

In the case of $N_S = 1$, we obtain ξ and γ in Eqs. (22) and (23) where the subscripts k and ℓ are dropped (*e.g.*, $c_{kn} = c_n$),

$$M\xi(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} c_n \left(1 - \frac{c_n}{m\tilde{\omega}_n^2} \right), \quad (28)$$

$$\gamma(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left(\frac{c_n^2}{m\tilde{\omega}_n^2} \right) \cos \tilde{\omega}_n t. \quad (29)$$

The additional interaction vanishes ($\xi = 0$) if we choose $c_n = m\tilde{\omega}_n^2$ in Eq. (28).

In the case of $N_S \neq 1$, however, it is impossible to choose $\{c_{kn}\}$ such that $\xi_{k\ell} = 0$ is realized for all pairs of (k, ℓ) in Eq. (22). Then Q_k is inevitably coupled to Q_ℓ for $\ell \neq k$ with the superexchange-type interaction of antiferromagnets: $-\sum_n c_{kn}c_{\ell n}/m\tilde{\omega}_n^2$ in Eq. (22).

B. Model calculations for oscillator systems

It is easier to solve $2(N_S + N_B)$ first-order differential equations given by Eqs. (13)-(16) than to solve the N_S Langevin equations given by Eqs. (21)-(24) although the latter provides us with clearer physical insight than the former. We have performed DS, solving the differential equations for the oscillator system with $V(Q_k) = M\Omega_k^2 Q_k^2/2$ in Eq. (8) for

$f(t) = 0$, $M = m = 1.0$ and $\Omega_k = \omega_n = 1.0$ otherwise noticed with the use of the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method with the time step of 0.01. In order to study the N_S and N_B dependences of various physical quantities, we have assumed the coupling given by

$$c_{kn} = \frac{c_0}{N_S N_B}, \quad (30)$$

because the interaction term includes summations of $\sum_{k=1}^{N_S}$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{N_B}$ in Eq. (10). We have chosen $c_0 = 10.0$ (see Sec. II B 3. *Effect of c_0*). It is noted that with our choice of c_{kn} , the interaction contribution is finite even in the thermodynamical limit of $N_B \rightarrow \infty$ because the summation over n runs from 1 to N_B in Eq. (10). Although we have tried to adopt an alternative choice of c_{kn} given by [30]

$$c_{kn} = \frac{c'_0}{\sqrt{N_S N_B}}, \quad (31)$$

qualitatively similar results have been obtained, as will be shown in Sec. III A. Initial conditions for $Q_k(0)$, $\dot{Q}_k(0)$, $q_n(0)$ and $\dot{q}_n(0)$ are given by random Gaussian variables with zero means and unit variances. Simulations have been performed for $t = 0$ to 10000, results for $t < 2000$ being discarded for evaluations of stationary distributions. Results to be reported are averages over 10000 runs.

We have assumed that the energies per particle $u_\eta(t)$ in the system ($\eta=S$) and the bath ($\eta=B$) are given by

$$u_S = \frac{1}{N_S} \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \left[\frac{P_k^2}{2M} + \frac{M\Omega_k^2 Q_k^2}{2} \right], \quad (32)$$

$$u_B = \frac{1}{N_B} \sum_{n=1}^{N_B} \left[\frac{p_n^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega_n^2 q_n^2}{2} \right], \quad (33)$$

neglecting a contribution from the interaction term H_I , which is valid for the weak interaction although a treatment of the finite interaction is ambiguous and controversial [11, 12]. Figures 1(a) and (b) show the time dependence of u_η for $N_S = 1$ and 10, respectively, with $N_B = 1000$ of a single DS run. We note that although $u_\eta(t)$ rapidly oscillates, its envelope has much slower time dependence. Periods for rapid oscillations are about 0.95 and 2.22 for $N_S = 1$ and 10, respectively: the latter value is larger than the former because of a larger renormalization effect due to couplings [the $\xi_{k\ell}$ term in Eq. (22)]. Magnitudes of time variations in $u_S(t)$ are larger than those in $u_B(t)$ because $N_S \ll N_B$. The width of variation in $u_S(t)$ for $N_S = 1$ in Fig. 1(a) is larger than that for $N_S = 10$ in Fig. 1(b). Even when the energy of the system

is once decreased flowing into the bath, later it returns back to the system within the finite time [31]. Then the dissipative energy transfer from the system to the bath or vice versa does not occur in a long time scale in Fig. 1. This is in contrast with the result of Ref. [13] which has reported a transition from non-dissipative to dissipative energy transfer at $N_B \sim 300 - 400$ with $N_S = 1$.

In the following, we will show calculations of the stationary distributions of the system and bath, changing N_S , N_B , interaction strength (c_0), the distribution of ω_n and the ratio of m/M . Hereafter the argument u in the stationary distributions of $f_S(u)$ and $f_B(u)$ expresses $u = u_S$ and $u = u_B$, respectively.

1. Effect of N_S

First we study the effect of N_S . Dashed, dotted, chain and solid curves in Fig. 2(a) show the stationary distribution of the system $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , respectively, with $N_B = 100$. $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 1$ shows an exponential-like behavior while $f_S(u)$ for $N_S > 1$ has a structure with a peak near the center of the stationary distribution of the bath $f_B(u)$. Distributions of $f_B(u)$ for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 with $N_B = 100$ are plotted by dashed, dotted, chain and solid curves, respectively, in Fig. 2(b), which is nearly independent of N_S . More detailed discussion on the N_S dependence will be given in Sec. III A.

2. Effect of N_B

Calculated distributions of $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 1$ with $N_B = 10, 1000$ and 1000 are plotted by solid, dashed and chain curves, respectively, in Fig. 3(a). Similar results of $f_B(u)$ are shown in Fig. 3(b). Profiles of $f_S(u)$ showing an exponential-like behavior are almost independent of N_B while those of $f_B(u)$ change: its width becomes narrower for larger N_B . Solid, dashed and chain curves in Fig. 4(a) [Fig. 4(b)] show $f_S(u)$ [$f_B(u)$] for $N_B = 10, 100$ and 1000 , respectively, with $N_S = 10$. Again $f_S(u)$ of $N_S = 10$ is nearly independent of N_B . In particular for $N_S = N_B = 10$, we obtain $f_S(u) = f_B(u)$ because the system and bath are equivalent. $f_B(u)$ for $N_S = 10$ in Fig. 4(b) is indistinguishable to that for $N_S = 1$ in Fig. 3(b).

3. Effect of c_0

We change the coupling strength of c_0 in $c_{kn} = c_0/N_S N_B$. Figure 5(a), (b) and (c) show distributions of $f_S(u)$ and $f_B(u)$ for $c_0 = 1.0, 10.0$ and 100.0 , respectively, with $N_S = 1$ and

$N_S = 10$ for $N_B = 100$. Results for $c_0 = 1.0$ [Fig. 5(a)] and $c_0 = 10.0$ [Fig. 5(b)] are almost identical. When c_0 is increased to 100.0, distribution of $f_S(u)$ becomes much wider than those in Figs. 5(a) and (b). At the same time, $f_B(u)$ is modified by the stronger coupling. We have decided to adopt $c_0 = 10.0$ in our DS, related discussion being given in Sec. III A 1.

4. Effect of distributions of ω_n

Although we have so far assumed $\omega_n = 1.0$ in the bath, we will examine additional two types of distribution ranges for $\{\omega_n\}$: uniform distributions in $[0.5, 1.5]$ and $[2.0, 3.0]$ with a fixed $\Omega_k = 1.0$ in the system. Calculated $f_S(u)$ and $f_B(u)$ for $\omega_n \in [0.5, 1.5]$ in Figs. 6(b) are almost the same as those for $\omega_n = 1.0$ in Figs. 6(a). In Fig. 6(c), where distribution of $\omega_n \in [2.0, 3.0]$ in the bath does not have an overlap with those of $\Omega_k = 1.0$ in the system, $f_S(u)$ is nearly the same as those in Figs. 6(a) and (b) in which the frequency ranges of the bath overlap those of the system. In contrast, $f_B(u)$ in Fig. 6(c) is quite different from those in Figs. 6(a) and (b) as expected. Our results shown in Figs. 6(a), (b) and (c) suggest that $f_S(u)$ is not so sensitive to the position of frequency ranges of the bath relative to that of the system. This is in contrast with the result for $N_S = 1$ in Ref. [9], which shows that for a thermalization of the system, the relative position between the oscillating frequency range of the system and that of the bath is very important.

5. Effect of m/M

Finally we will change a value of m which has been so far assumed to be $m = M = 1.0$. Figures 7(a) and (b) show $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 1$ and $N_S = 10$, respectively, with $N_B = 100$ for $m/M = 1.0$ (solid curves), 0.1 (dashed curves) and 0.01 (chain curves). With decreasing the ratio of m/M , the magnitude at small u of $f_B(u)$ is increased, by which that of $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 1$ is slightly increased in Fig. 7(a). However, the shape of $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 10$ in Fig. 7(b) is almost unchanged with changing m/M .

Before closing Sec. II, we point out that roles of the system and the bath are interchangeable in Figs. 2-7 because the Hamiltonian for the model A given by Eqs. (7)-(11) has the system \leftrightarrow bath symmetry for $f(t) = 0$. For example, $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 10$ and $N_B = 1$ may be given by $f_B(u)$ in Fig. 3(b) for $N_S = 1$ and $N_B = 10$. Figures 2-7 show that the properties of $f_S(u)$ are mainly determined by N_S , which is the main result of our study.

III. DISCUSSION

A. Analysis of DS results for oscillator systems

1. Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics

We may theoretically evaluate the distribution of $f_S(u)$ as follows. First we calculate the distribution for a set of variables of $\{Q_k, V_k\}$ ($V_k = \dot{Q}_k$) with the Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics for the infinite bath characterized by the inverse temperature β (see Appendix A),

$$f(Q, V) dQ dV \propto \exp \left[-\beta \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} \left(\frac{MV_k^2}{2} + \frac{M\Omega^2 Q_k^2}{2} \right) \right] \Pi_{k=1}^{N_S} dQ_k dV_k, \quad (34)$$

$$\propto E_S^{N_S-1} e^{-\beta E_S} dE_S, \quad (35)$$

where E_S denotes the energy in the system: $E_S = \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} [MV_k^2/2 + M\Omega^2 Q_k^2/2]$. From Eq. (35), the distribution of the system for u ($= E_S/N_S$) becomes

$$f_S(u) = \frac{1}{Z} u^{a-1} e^{-bu} \equiv g_1(u), \quad (36)$$

with

$$a = N_S, \quad b = N_S \beta, \quad (37)$$

$$Z = \frac{\Gamma(a)}{b^a}, \quad (38)$$

where $g_1(u)$ denotes the Γ (or χ^2) distribution, its subscript 1 being attached for later purpose. Mean (μ) and variance (σ^2) of the Γ distribution are given by

$$\mu = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{\beta}, \quad (39)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{a}{b^2} = \frac{1}{N_S \beta^2}. \quad (40)$$

Equation (39) expresses the equipartition relation. The distribution $f_B(u)$ of the bath for u ($= E_B/N_B$) may be obtainable in a similar way where E_B signifies the bath energy.

Our DS in the preceding section has shown that the most influential parameter on the properties of the system is N_S . We now pay our attention to the N_S dependence of calculated means (μ_η) and root-mean-square (RMS) (σ_η) of the system ($\eta = S$) and bath ($\eta = B$). Figure 8 shows μ_η and σ_η as a function of N_S with $N_B = 100$ obtained by DS: filled (open) circles

denote μ_S (σ_S) of the system: filled (open) squares stand for μ_B (σ_B) of the bath. We obtain $(\mu_S, \sigma_S) = (2.84, 3.77), (1.97, 2.12), (1.302, 0.755)$ and $(1.097, 0.393)$ for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , respectively. With decreasing N_S from $N_S = 10$, μ_S and σ_S are increased. In contrast, μ_B and σ_B are almost independent of N_S . An increase in μ_S with decreasing N_S is attributed to an increase in the effective frequency of the system given by [Eqs. (22) and (30)]

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{kk}^2 = \Omega_{kk}^2 + \frac{1}{M} \left[\frac{c_0}{N_S} - \frac{c_0^2}{N_S^2(N_B\omega^2 + c_0/m)} \right].$$

An increase in σ_S with decreasing N_S is due to an increase in ζ_k given by Eq. (24) which is proportional to c_0/N_S . When we adopt a smaller value of c_0 , these increases are reduced. For example, μ_S (σ_S) calculated with a smaller $c_0 = 1.0$ are plotted by filled (open) triangles in Fig. 8, which shows $(\mu_S, \sigma_S) = (1.12, 1.24), (1.02, 0.78), (0.97, 0.45)$ and $(0.97, 0.31)$ for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , respectively. Related distributions for $N_S = 1$ and 10 are plotted in Fig. 5(a). For this choice of $c_0 = 1.0$, the energy exchange between system and bath is considerably decreased.

We have performed DS by using also an alternative choice of couplings of $c_{kn} = c'_0/\sqrt{N_S N_B}$ given by Eq. (31). Filled and open diamonds in Fig. 8 show μ_S and σ_S , respectively, calculated with $c'_0 = 1/\sqrt{10}$ which is chosen such that Eq. (31) yields the same value of $c_{kn} = 0.01$ as Eq. (30) for $N_S = 10$ and $N_B = 100$. For $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , we obtain $(\mu_S, \sigma_S) = (1.61, 2.10), (1.35, 1.25), (1.18, 0.58)$ and $(1.097, 0.393)$, respectively. With decreasing N_S , both μ_S and σ_S are increased, which are qualitatively similar to those obtained with couplings given by Eq. (30).

Next we examine the profiles of N_S -dependent $f_S(u)$. By using the relation between parameters a and b in the Γ distribution with its average and variance given by Eqs. (39) and (40), we may determine a and b by $a = (\mu^2/\sigma^2)$ and $b = \mu/\sigma^2$. With the use of the calculated μ_S and σ_S , we obtain $(a, b) = (0.565, 0.199), (0.861, 0.437), (2.98, 2.28)$ and $(7.78, 7.11)$ for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , respectively. Unfortunately, these values of a are not in agreement with the theoretical value of $a = N_S$ given by Eq. (37). We have employed the Γ distribution given by Eq. (36) with the parameters a and b determined above for our analysis of $f_S(u)$ shown in Fig. 2(a). Dashed curves in Figs. 9(a)-(d) show the calculated Γ distribution, while solid curves express DS results. We note in Figs. 9(c) and (d) that the Γ distributions for $N_S = 5$ and 10 are ostensibly in good agreement with calculated $f_S(u)$ although the calculated a disagrees with the theoretical value of $a (= N_S)$ as mentioned

above. Furthermore, an agreement becomes poor for results of smaller $N_S = 1$ and 2, whose analyses will be discussed with the use of the nonextensive statistics in the following sub-subsection.

2. Nonextensive statistics

a. Superstatistical approach

A disagreement between theoretical results and DS ones might arise from a use of the Boltzmann-Gibbs statistics. We will analyze the calculated results by using the nonextensive statistics [17]-[20]. Wilk and Włodarczak [21] and Beck [22] have pointed out that the observed non-Gaussian distribution may be accounted for if we assume that the Gaussian distribution $e^{-\beta u}$ is averaged over the Γ distribution of $g(\beta)$ for fluctuating inverse temperature β ,

$$p(u) \propto e_q^{-\beta_0 u} = \int_0^\infty e^{-\beta u} g(\beta) d\beta, \quad (41)$$

with

$$g(\beta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(n/2)} \left(\frac{n}{2\beta_0} \right)^{n/2} \beta^{n/2-1} e^{-n\beta/2\beta_0}. \quad (42)$$

Here n denotes the number of independent Gaussian X_i contributions to the χ^2 distribution of $\beta = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ [22], and β_0 stands for the mean of β : $\beta_0 = \langle \beta \rangle_\beta$ and variance is given by $\langle \beta^2 \rangle_\beta - \beta_0^2 = (2/n)\beta_0^2$. Equations (41) and (42) express the *superstatistics* whose concept may be understood such that complex nonextensive systems are in the nonequilibrium states with temporarily and spatially fluctuating inverse temperature.

In order to more accurately account for our calculated $f_S(u)$, we employ the concept of the superstatistics. We assume that the Γ distribution $f(u)$ given by Eq. (36) is averaged over the distribution $g(\beta)$ given by Eq. (42) with $n = 2N_S$,

$$f_S(u) \propto \int_0^\infty u^{N_S-1} e^{-\beta N_S u} g(\beta) d\beta, \quad (43)$$

$$\propto \frac{u^{N_S-1}}{(1 + \beta_0 u)^{N_S}}. \quad (44)$$

With the normalization factor, $f_S(u)$ is expressed by the q - Γ distribution $g_q(u)$,

$$f_S(u) = \frac{1}{Z_q} u^{a-1} e_q^{-bu} \equiv g_q(u), \quad (45)$$

with

$$q = 1 + \frac{1}{N_S}, \quad (46)$$

$$a = N_S, \quad (47)$$

$$b = N_S \beta_0, \quad (48)$$

$$Z_q = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{[(q-1)b]^a} \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(\frac{1}{q-1}-a)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{q-1})} & \text{for } q > 1.0, \\ \frac{\Gamma(a)}{b^a} & \text{for } q = 1.0, \\ \frac{1}{[(1-q)b]^a} \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(\frac{1}{1-q})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{1-q}+a)} & \text{for } q < 1.0. \end{cases} \quad (49)$$

It is easy to see that in the limit of $q \rightarrow 1.0$, the q - Γ distribution $g_q(u)$ given by Eq. (45) reduces to the Γ distribution $g_1(u)$ given by Eq. (36). Average and variance of the q - Γ distribution are given by

$$\mu_q = \frac{a}{b[1 - (q-1)(a+1)]}, \quad (50)$$

$$\sigma_q^2 = \frac{a(2-q)}{b^2[1 - (q-1)(a+2)][1 - (q-1)(a+1)]^2} \quad \text{for } q > 1.0, \quad (51)$$

which reduce to $\mu_1 = a/b$ and $\sigma_1^2 = a/b^2$ for $q = 1.0$ in agreement with Eqs. (39) and (40).

The q - Γ distribution $g_q(u)$ has a maximum at

$$u = u_m = \frac{(a-1)}{b[1 - (q-1)(a-1)]} \quad \text{for } a > 1.0. \quad (52)$$

The u dependence of $g_q(u)$ for typical parameters is shown in Appendix A (Fig. 15).

b. Microcanonical approach I

Next we mention the MCA to the nonextensive statistics [23]-[29]. We consider microcanonical ensembles of N particles with the energy E , which is divided into two subsystems 1 and 2. A probability for subsystem 1 containing N_1 particles to have energy E_1 is given by [23, 27]

$$f_{N_1}(E_1) = \frac{\Omega_1(E_1)\Omega_2(E_2)}{\Omega_{1+2}(E)}, \quad (53)$$

where the structure function $\Omega_\kappa(E)$ ($\kappa = 1, 2, 1+2$) expresses the number of states with the energy E . We assume that $\Omega_\kappa(E)$ is given by [23, 27],

$$\Omega_\kappa(E) = K m_\kappa E^{m_\kappa - 1}, \quad (54)$$

where K is a constant and m_κ the degrees of freedom of variables in subsystem κ . Equation (54) is valid for ideal gases and harmonic oscillators with $m_\kappa \gg 1$.

Interpreting subsystems 1 and 2 as a system and a bath, respectively, we apply the MCA to the oscillator system under consideration for which $m_S = N_S$ and $m_B = N_B$. For $1 < N_S \ll N_B$ and $E_S \ll E_B$, Eqs. (53) and (54) yield

$$f_S(E_S) \propto E_S^{N_S-1} \left(1 - \frac{E_S}{E}\right)^{N_B-1}, \quad (55)$$

$$= E_S^{N_S-1} \left[1 - (1 - \hat{q})\hat{\beta}E_S\right]^{1/(1-\hat{q})}, \quad (56)$$

$$= E_S^{N_S-1} e_{\hat{q}}^{-\hat{\beta}E_S}, \quad (57)$$

with

$$\hat{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{(N_B - 1)}, \quad (58)$$

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{N_B}{E}, \quad (59)$$

where we attach hats for quantities in the MCA to distinguish them from counterparts in the SSA. Equation (57) is equivalent to the q - Γ distribution given by Eq. (45) if we read $E_S = N_S u$ and $\hat{\beta} = \beta_0$. Similarly, we obtain the distribution defined by [23, 27]

$$p_S(E_S) \equiv \frac{\Omega_B(E - E_S)}{\Omega_{S+B}(E)}, \quad (60)$$

$$\propto e_{\hat{q}}^{-\hat{\beta}E_S}. \quad (61)$$

In the limit of $N_B \rightarrow \infty$, Eqs. (57) and (61) reduce to

$$f_S(E_S) \propto E_S^{N_S-1} e^{-\hat{\beta}E_S}, \quad (62)$$

$$p_S(E_S) \propto e^{-\hat{\beta}E_S}, \quad (63)$$

with

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{N_B}{E} = \frac{1}{k_B T}, \quad (64)$$

where the equipartition relation is employed for $E_B (\gg E_S)$. From Eqs. (53) and (60), a relation between $f_S(E_S)$ and $p_S(E_S)$ is given by

$$f_S(E_S) = \Omega_S(E_S) p_S(E_S). \quad (65)$$

With increasing E_S , $p_S(E_S)$ is decreased whereas $\Omega_S(E_S) \propto E_S^{N_S-1}$, and then $f_S(E_S)$ has a maximum at $E_S = (N_S - 1)/\hat{\beta}[1 - (q - 1)(N_S - 1)]$ for $N_S > 1$.

It should be noted that the q -exponential function adopted in Refs. [24]-[29] is defined by

$$e_{q'}^x = [1 + (q' - 1)x]^{1/(q'-1)} \quad \text{for } q' > 1, \quad (66)$$

which is different from that given by Eq. (4) proposed in Ref. [17]. The relation between q' and q is $q' - 1 = 1 - q$, with which Eq. (58) becomes $q' = 1 + 1/(N_B - 1)$ (> 1.0).

We have tried to apply the q - Γ distribution given by Eqs. (45)-(49) to an analysis of profiles of $f_S(u)$ in Fig. 9, but we could not obtain satisfactory results. Rather we have phenomenologically adopted the q - Γ distribution, choosing its parameters a , b and q such as to provide results in fairly good agreement with $f_S(u)$ in Fig. 9 with satisfying Eqs. (50) and (51). Chain curves in Figs. 9(a) and (b) express $g_q(u)$ with $(a, b, q) = (1.0, 1.31, 1.30)$ and $(1.64, 1.36, 1.09)$, respectively, for $N_S = 1$ and 2, which have been tentatively determined by a cut and try method. It is note that $f_S(u)$ of DS is finite at $u = 0.0$ for $N_S = 1$, which requires $a = 1.0$. These chain curves are in better agreement with the calculated $f_S(u)$ than dashed curves expressing the Γ distribution.

c. Microcanonical approach II

We will derive the stationary distribution with the alternative MCA (MCA II). We again consider a collection of N particles with the energy E ($= M\epsilon_0$) where ϵ_0 denotes an appropriate energy unit. A probability for its subsystem 1 containing N_1 particles to have energy E_1 ($= M_1\epsilon_0$) is given by

$$f_{N_1}(M_1) = \frac{w_{N_1}(M_1) w_{N-N_1}(M - M_1)}{w_N(M)}, \quad (67)$$

with

$$w_N(M) = \frac{(M + N - 1)!}{(N - 1)! M!}. \quad (68)$$

We apply Eq. (67) to a system plus bath without using the condition: $1 \ll N_1 \ll N$, which is employed in the MCA I. We assume that M and M_1 are real as given by

$$N = N_S + N_B, \quad N_1 = N_S, \quad M = \frac{E_S + E_B}{\epsilon_0}, \quad M_1 = \frac{E_S}{\epsilon_0}, \quad (69)$$

where E_S (E_B) denotes an energy in the system (bath). Then the probability for u ($= E_S/N_S$) in the system is given by

$$f_S(u) \propto \frac{w_{N_S}(M_1) w_{N_B}(M - M_1)}{w_{N_S+N_B}(M)}, \quad (70)$$

with

$$k_B T = \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{E_B}{N_B} = \mu_B, \quad (71)$$

where μ_B is the mean energy in the bath and $w_N(M)$ is given by Eq. (68) with a replacement of $n! \rightarrow \Gamma(n+1)$, $\Gamma(x)$ being the Γ function.

We have calculated $f_S(u)$ with the MCA II by using Eqs. (69)-(71), whose results with $\epsilon_0 = 1.0$ (dashed curves), 0.1 (dotted curves) and 0.01 (chain curves) are shown in Figs. 10(a)-(d). With decreasing ϵ_0 , results of MCA II are expected to approach the classical limit. Although a general trend is accounted for by MCA II calculations, their agreement with DS results is not so good.

B. Comparison with ideal-gas systems

Our model A given by Eqs. (7)-(11) may be applied to ideal gases (the system) coupled to finite bath, for which we set $V(Q_k) = 0$. We have performed DS with the same model parameters (except for $\Omega_k = 0$) as in the case of oscillator systems mentioned in Sec. II. Solid curves in Figs. 11(a), (b), (c) and (d) show calculated $f_S(u)$ of N_S -body ideal gases for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , respectively, with $N_B = 100$. For a comparison, we show by dotted curves, the corresponding results for oscillators having been plotted in Fig. 2(a). The energy distributions of bath, $f_B(u)$, for ideal-gas systems are almost the same as those for oscillator systems shown in Fig. 2(b). Comparing solid curves to dotted curves, we note that the distribution of $f_S(u)$ for ideal gases has larger magnitude at small u than that for oscillators. This yields the smaller average energy in ideal gases than that in oscillators, which is related with the fact the former has a smaller degree of freedom than the latter, as expressed in the equipartition relation.

Figure 12 shows the N_S dependence of μ_η and $\sigma_\eta = S, B$: filled (open) circles show μ_S (σ_S) and filled (open) squares denote μ_B (σ_B). Although μ_S in Fig. 12 has similar N_S dependence to that in Fig. 8 for oscillator systems, magnitudes of the former are smaller

than the latter. The ratio of $\mu_S(IG)/\mu_S(OSC)$ approaches 0.5 with increasing N_S , although the ratio is increased for $N_S \rightarrow 1$.

We have analyzed calculated $f_S(u)$ in Figs. 11(a)-(d) by using the Γ distribution given by Eq. (36) with

$$a = \frac{N_S}{2}, \quad b = N_S\beta, \quad (72)$$

which lead to

$$\mu = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{2\beta}, \quad (73)$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{a}{b^2} = \frac{1}{2N_S\beta^2}. \quad (74)$$

Equation (73) expresses the equipartition relation of ideal gases. Simulations shown in Fig. 11 yield $(\mu_S, \sigma_S) = (2.59, 3.62)$, $(1.50, 1.76)$, $(0.716, 0.504)$ and $(0.469, 0.222)$ for $N_S = 1, 2, 5$ and 10 , respectively, from which we obtain $(a, b) = (0.514, 0.198)$, $(0.733, 0.487)$, $(2.02, 2.82)$ and $(4.47, 9.54)$. Dashed curves in Figs. 11(a)-(d) express the Γ distribution calculated with the use of a and b thus obtained. They are in good agreement with the DS results for $N_S = 5$ and 10 , but not for $N_S = 1$ and 2 . Chain curves express the q - Γ distributions obtained with $(a, b, q) = (0.61, 0.38, 1.18)$ and $(1.0, 0.85, 1.09)$ for $N_S = 1$ and 2 , respectively, which have been determined by a cut-and-try method. Results of the q - Γ distribution are in better agreement with DS than those of the Γ distribution. This situation is the same as in the case of oscillator systems as discussed in Sec. III A.

C. Bath containing coupled oscillators

In most of existing models for open systems [5]-[13], baths are assumed to be consisting of uncoupled oscillators. In order to study the effect of couplings of oscillators in a bath, we consider the models B and C in which baths consist of coupled oscillators with the periodic and fixed-end boundary conditions, respectively.

1. Model B

In the model B, we assume that the Hamiltonian is given by Eqs. (7)-(10) with $v(q_n)$,

$$v(q_n) = \frac{b}{2}(q_n - q_{n+1})^2 \quad (\text{model B}), \quad (75)$$

under the periodic boundary condition:

$$q_{N_B+n} = q_n, \quad p_{N_B+n} = p_n, \quad (76)$$

where b denotes the spring constant between neighboring sites in the bath and N_B is assumed even without a loss of generality.

Equations of motion for Q_k and q_n are given by

$$M\ddot{Q}_k = -V'(Q_k) - \sum_{n=-N_B/2}^{N_B/2-1} c(Q_k - q_n) + f(t), \quad (77)$$

$$m\ddot{q}_n = -b(2q_n - q_{n-1} - q_{n+1}) - \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} c(q_n - Q_k). \quad (78)$$

By using a transformation mentioned in Appendix B, we obtain the Langevin equation for $Q_k(t)$ given by Eq. (21) with

$$M\xi_{k\ell} = cN_B\delta_{k\ell} - \frac{c^2N_B}{m\tilde{\omega}_0^2}, \quad (79)$$

$$\gamma_{k\ell}(t) = \left(\frac{c^2N_B}{m\tilde{\omega}_0^2} \right) \cos \tilde{\omega}_0 t, \quad (80)$$

$$\zeta_k(t) = c\sqrt{N_B} \left[\tilde{q}_0(0) \cos \tilde{\omega}_0 t + \frac{\dot{\tilde{q}}_0(0)}{\tilde{\omega}_0} \sin \tilde{\omega}_0 t \right], \quad (81)$$

with

$$\tilde{\omega}_0^2 = \frac{cN_S}{m}. \quad (82)$$

2. Model C

In the model C, we assume that the Hamiltonian is given by Eqs. (7)-(10) with $v(q_n)$,

$$v(q_n) = \frac{b}{2}(q_n - q_{n+1})^2 \quad (\text{model C}), \quad (83)$$

under the fixed-end boundary condition given by

$$q_0 = q_{N_B+1} = 0, \quad p_0 = p_{N_B+1} = 0. \quad (84)$$

Equations of motion for Q_k and q_n are given by

$$M\ddot{Q}_k = -V'(Q_k) - \sum_{n=0}^{N_B+1} c(Q_k - q_n) + f(t), \quad (85)$$

$$m\ddot{q}_n = -b(2q_n - q_{n-1} - q_{n+1}) - \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} c(q_n - Q_k). \quad (86)$$

By using a transformation mentioned in Appendix C, we obtain the Langevin equation given by Eq. (21) with

$$M\xi_{k\ell} = c(N_B + 2)\delta_{k\ell} - \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} \frac{c^2 a_s^2}{m\hat{\omega}_s^2}, \quad (87)$$

$$\gamma_{k\ell}(t) = \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} \left(\frac{c^2 a_s^2}{m\hat{\omega}_s^2} \right) \cos \hat{\omega}_s t, \quad (88)$$

$$\zeta_k(t) = \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} c a_s \left[\hat{q}_s(0) \cos \hat{\omega}_s t + \frac{\dot{\hat{q}}_s(0)}{\hat{\omega}_s} \sin \hat{\omega}_s t \right], \quad (89)$$

where $\hat{\omega}_s$ and a_s are expressed by

$$\hat{\omega}_s^2 = \omega_s^2 + \frac{c(N_S + 2)}{m}, \quad (90)$$

$$a_s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2(N_B + 1)}} \left[\cos \left(\frac{\pi s}{2} - \frac{(N_B + 2)\pi s}{2(N_B + 1)} \right) - \cos \left(\frac{\pi s}{2} + \frac{(N_B + 2)\pi s}{2(N_B + 1)} \right) \right] \\ \times \text{cosec} \left(\frac{\pi s}{2(N_B + 1)} \right). \quad (91)$$

DS calculations for models B and C have been performed for oscillator systems with the same parameters as in Sec. II in addition to $b = 1.0$. Dashed and solid curves in Fig. 13(a) [Fig. 13(b)] show $f_S(u)$ [$f_B(u)$] of the model B for $N_S = 1$ and 10, respectively, with $N_B = 100$. Dashed and solid curves in Fig. 14(a) [Fig. 14(b)] show $f_S(u)$ [$f_B(u)$] of the model C for $N_S = 1$ and 10, respectively, with $N_B = 100$. Profiles of $f_S(u)$ and $f_B(u)$ of the model B in Fig. 13 are similar to those of the model C in Fig. 14. Comparing Figs. 13 and 14 with Fig. 2, we note that couplings in oscillators of the bath have essentially no effects on the behavior of $f_S(u)$ of the system, although they have some effects on $f_B(u)$ as expected.

D. Comparisons among various models

Table 1 summarizes comparisons among elements of ξ_{kn} , γ_{kn} and ζ_k in Langevin equations derived from various models for open systems including CL [5] and MK models [7] and models A, B and C which are proposed in Secs. II and III. Additional interactions ξ_{kn} induced by introduced couplings between the system and bath remain finite in the models A, B and C although they vanish in the CL and MK models for $N_S = 1$. We note that functional forms of $\xi_{k\ell}$ and ζ_k in all the models are similar. This is the reason why properties of $f_S(u)$ and

TABLE I: Terms of $\xi_{k\ell}$, $\gamma_{k\ell}$ and ζ_k in the Langevin equation, $M\ddot{Q}_k(t) = -V'(Q_k) - M \sum_{\ell} \xi_{k\ell} Q_{\ell}(t) - \sum_{\ell} \int_0^t \gamma_{k\ell}(t-t') \dot{Q}_{\ell}(t') dt' - \sum_{\ell} \gamma_{k\ell}(t) Q_{\ell}(0) + \zeta_k(t)$, calculated by various models: 1) CL model [Eq. (1)]: 2) MK model [Eq. (2)]: 3) the model A [Eq. (11)]: 4) the model B [Eq. (75)]: 5) the model C [Eq. (83)]. The CL and MK models are for $N_S = 1$ for which subscripts k, ℓ are dropped.

model	M $\xi_{k\ell}$	$\gamma_{k\ell}$	ζ_k
CL ¹⁾ ($N_S = 1$)	0	$\sum_n \left(\frac{c_n^2}{m\omega_n^2} \right) \cos \omega_n t$	$\sum_n c_n \left[q_n(0) \cos \omega_n t + \left(\frac{\dot{q}_n(0)}{\omega_n} \right) \sin \omega_n t \right]$
MK ²⁾ ($N_S = 1$)	0	$\sum_n m\omega_n^2 \cos \omega_n t$	$\sum_n m\omega_n^2 \left[q_n(0) \cos \omega_n t + \left(\frac{\dot{q}_n(0)}{\omega_n} \right) \sin \omega_n t \right]$
A ³⁾	$\sum_n \left[c_{kn} \delta_{k\ell} - \frac{c_{kn} c_{\ell n}}{m\tilde{\omega}_n^2} \right]$	$\sum_n \left(\frac{c_{kn} c_{\ell n}}{m\tilde{\omega}_n^2} \right) \cos \tilde{\omega} t$	$\sum_n c_{kn} \left[q_n(0) \cos \tilde{\omega}_n t + \left(\frac{\dot{q}_n(0)}{\tilde{\omega}_n} \right) \sin \tilde{\omega}_n t \right]$
B ⁴⁾	$cN_B \delta_{k\ell} - \frac{c^2 N_B}{m\tilde{\omega}_0^2}$	$\left(\frac{c^2 N_B}{m\tilde{\omega}_0^2} \right) \cos \tilde{\omega}_0^2 t$	$c\sqrt{N_B} \left[\tilde{q}_0(0) \cos \tilde{\omega}_0 t + \left(\frac{\dot{\tilde{q}}_0(0)}{\tilde{\omega}_n} \right) \sin \tilde{\omega}_n t \right]$
C ⁵⁾	$c(N_B + 2)\delta_{k\ell} - \sum_s \frac{c^2 a_s^2}{m\hat{\omega}_s^2}$	$\sum_s \left(\frac{c^2 a_s^2}{m\hat{\omega}_s^2} \right) \cos \hat{\omega}_s t$	$\sum_s c a_s \left[\hat{q}_s(0) \cos \hat{\omega}_s t + \left(\frac{\dot{\hat{q}}_s(0)}{\hat{\omega}_s} \right) \sin \hat{\omega}_s t \right]$

$f_B(u)$ in Figs. 2, 13 and 14 are similar. We note, however, that the kernel $\xi_{k\ell}$ of the model B is oscillating and not dissipative even for $N_B \rightarrow \infty$, which arises from the translational symmetry in the bath.

IV. CONCLUDING REMARKS

It is worthwhile to make a comparison between the SSA and MCA, which lead to equivalent q - Γ distributions given by Eqs. (45) and (57). We should, however, note that the entropic index of $f_S(u)$ obtained in the SSA [Eq. (46)] is different from that derived in the MCA [Eq. (58)] as shown by Eq. (6): q in the SSA is expressed in terms of N_S and greater than unity, while q in the MCA is expressed in terms of N_B and less than unity. Our DS has shown that $f_S(u)$ depends on N_S in Fig. 2 or 9 while it is almost independent of N_B in Figs. 3 and 4, which suggests that the entropic index of $f_S(u)$ depends mainly on N_S but only weakly on N_B . Furthermore, our phenomenological analyses show that the deduced entropic indexes are greater than unity. These facts seem to support the SSA [21, 22] but throw doubt on the MCA and its applications [23]–[29], although more detailed study is

necessary to draw a definite conclusion.

To summarize, we have studied the properties of classical small systems coupled to finite bath, by employing the $(N_S + N_B)$ models A, B and C, in which N_S -body system is coupled to N_B -body bath. Simulations for oscillator and ideal-gas systems have shown the following:

- (i) the energy of the system oscillates rapidly although its envelope has much slower time dependence,
- (ii) the dissipation of the system energy is not observed in our DS with $N_S \sim 1 - 10$ and $N_B \sim 10 - 1000$,
- (iii) the stationary energy distribution of the system $f_S(u)$ for $N_S > 1$ has a peak at about the average energy of the bath, although $f_S(u)$ for $N_S = 1$ has an exponential-like distribution decreasing monotonously with increasing u ,
- (iv) calculated $f_S(u)$, whose properties depend mainly on N_S but only weakly on N_B , may be phenomenologically described by the Γ or q - Γ distribution [Eq. (45)], and
- (v) the coupling among oscillators in the bath yields little effect in classical systems.

The item (i) is consistent with a previous study for $N_S = 1$ in Ref. [13]. The item (ii) suggests that for the energy dissipation of system, we might need to adopt a much larger N_B ($\gg 1000$) [31]. The thermalized state reported in Refs. [9, 10] corresponds to our state for $N_S = 1$ with the exponential-like distribution, in agreement with the item (iii). The item (iv) is favorable to the SSA but not to the MCA although either of them cannot *quantitatively* explain the DS results. The item (v) is consistent with the classical specific heat of harmonic oscillators for which both Einstein and Debye models yield the same results. Our model A given by Eqs. (7)-(11) is expected to have a wide applicability to classical small systems: for example, for studies on a system with various potentials $V(Q)$ like the bi-stable potentials and on a work performed by time-dependent external force $f(t)$ in Eq. (8). These subjects are left as our future study.

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Appendix: A. q - χ^2 and q - Γ distributions

1. The q - χ^2 distribution

We will show that if n independent variables of $\{x_i\}$ follow the q -Gaussian distribution, a variable defined by $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$ follows the q - χ^2 distribution with rank n defined by

$$P(Y) = \frac{1}{Z} e_q^{-Y} Y^{n/2-1}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where Z stands for the normalization factor.

In order to derive Eq. (A1), we first define a new variable of $X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$, for which we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p(x)dx &\propto e_q^{-\sum_i x_i^2} \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i, \\ &\propto e_q^{-X^2} X^{n-1} dX, \\ &\propto e_q^{-Y} Y^{(n-1)/2} Y^{-1/2} dY, \\ &= e_q^{-Y} Y^{n/2-1} dY, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A2})$$

leading to the q -deformed χ^2 distribution given by Eq. (A1).

It is noted that the factorization is not satisfied for the q -exponential function [17, 32],

$$e_q^{-\sum_i x_i^2} \neq \prod_i e_q^{-x_i^2}, \quad (\text{A3})$$

except for $q = 1$ or $n = 1$. Then we cannot employ the method of the characteristic function by which the χ^2 -function is conventionally derived from n independent Gaussian.

2. The q - Γ distribution

When generalizing $n/2$ in Eq. (A1) to a real number a , we obtain the q - Γ distribution,

$$g_q(u) = \frac{1}{Z_q} u^{a-1} e_q^{-bu}, \quad (\text{A4})$$

where Z_q is given by Eq. (49). Some numerical examples of $g_q(u)$ are shown in Fig. 15. The q - Γ distribution for $q > 1.0$ has a larger magnitude than the Γ distribution ($q = 1.0$) at large u because of the flat-tail properties of the q -exponential function [17]. In contrast, q - Γ distribution for $q < 1.0$ has a compact structure because of cut-off properties of the q -exponential function with no magnitudes for $u \geq 1/(1-q)b$.

Appendix: B. Langevin equation in the model B

We will explain a derivation of the Langevin equation in the model B given by Eqs. (7)-(10), (75) and (76). By using the transformation given by [3, 33]

$$q_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_B}} \sum_{s=-N_B/2}^{N_B/2-1} e^{i(2\pi ns/N_B)} \tilde{q}_s, \quad (\text{B1})$$

$$p_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_B}} \sum_{s=-N_B/2}^{N_B/2-1} e^{i(2\pi ns/N_B)} \tilde{p}_s, \quad (\text{B2})$$

we obtain the diagonalized H_B ,

$$H_B = \sum_{s=-N_B/2}^{N_B/2-1} \left(\frac{1}{2m} \tilde{p}_s^* \tilde{p}_s + \frac{m\omega_s^2}{2} \tilde{q}_s^* \tilde{q}_s \right), \quad (\text{B3})$$

with

$$\omega_s^2 = \left(\frac{4b}{m} \right) \sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi s}{N_B} \right) \quad (s = -N_B/2, \dots, N_B/2 - 1). \quad (\text{B4})$$

Substituting Eqs. (B1) and (B2) to Eq. (10) lead to

$$H_I = \frac{cN_B}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k^2 + \frac{cN_S}{2} \sum_{s=-N_B/2}^{N_B/2-1} \tilde{q}_s^* \tilde{q}_s - c\sqrt{N_B} \tilde{q}_0 \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k. \quad (\text{B5})$$

Then equations of motion become

$$M\ddot{Q}_k = -V'(Q_k) - cN_B Q_k + c\sqrt{N_B} \tilde{q}_0 + F(t), \quad (\text{B6})$$

$$m\ddot{\tilde{q}}_s = -m\tilde{\omega}_s^2 \tilde{q}_s + c\sqrt{N_B} \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k \delta_{s0}, \quad (\text{B7})$$

with

$$\tilde{\omega}_s^2 = \omega_s^2 + \frac{cN_S}{m}. \quad (\text{B8})$$

Note that the third term of Eq. (B6) and the second term of Eq. (B7) include only the $s = 0$ component. Substituting a formal solution of \tilde{q}_s to Eq. (B6), we obtain the Langevin equation given by Eqs. (21) and (79)-(82).

Appendix: C. Langevin equation in the model C

A derivation of the Langevin equation in the model C given by Eqs. (7)-(10),(83) and (84) will be explained. A transformation given by [3, 33]

$$q_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N_B + 1}} \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} \sin\left(\frac{\pi n s}{N_B + 1}\right) \hat{q}_s, \quad (C1)$$

$$p_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N_B + 1}} \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} \sin\left(\frac{\pi n s}{N_B + 1}\right) \hat{p}_s, \quad (C2)$$

yields the diagonalized H_B ,

$$H_B = \sum_{s=1}^N \left(\frac{\hat{p}_s^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega_s^2 \hat{q}_s^2}{2} \right), \quad (C3)$$

with

$$\omega_s^2 = \left(\frac{4b}{m} \right) \sin^2 \left[\frac{\pi s}{2(N_B + 1)} \right] \quad (s = 1, 2, \dots, N_B) \quad (C4)$$

From a transformation given by Eqs. (C1) and (C2), we obtain H_I given by

$$H_I = \frac{(N_B + 2)c}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k^2 + \frac{(N_S + 2)c}{2} \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} \hat{q}_s^2 - c \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} a_s \hat{q}_s, \quad (C5)$$

with

$$a_s = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N_B + 1}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_B+1} \sin\left(\frac{\pi n s}{N_B + 1}\right). \quad (C6)$$

Then equations of motion for Q_k and \hat{q}_s become

$$M\ddot{Q}_k = -V'(Q_k) - c(N_B + 2)Q_k + c \sum_{s=1}^{N_B} a_s \hat{q}_s + F(t), \quad (C7)$$

$$m\ddot{\hat{q}}_s = -m\hat{\omega}_s^2 \hat{q}_s + ca_s \sum_{k=1}^{N_S} Q_k, \quad (C8)$$

with

$$m\hat{\omega}_s^2 = m\omega_s^2 + c(N_S + 2), \quad (C9)$$

Substituting a formal solution of \hat{q}_s to Eq. (C7), we obtain the Langevin equation given by Eqs. (21) and (87)-(89).

The s dependence of a_s given by Eq. (C6) or Eq. (91) is plotted in Fig. 16, showing the zig-toothed structure whose magnitude decreases rapidly with increasing s .

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FIG. 1: (Color online) Time dependences of $u_S(t)$ and $u_B(t)$ for (a) $N_S = 1$ and (b) $N_S = 10$ with $N_B = 1000$ (a single DS run), inset showing enlarged plots of $u_S(t)$ for $t = 0$ to 60.

FIG. 2: (Color online) (a) Stationary distributions of (a) $f_S(u)$ and (b) $f_B(u)$ with $N_B = 100$ for various N_S : $N_S = 1$ (dashed curves), 2 (dotted curves), 5 (chain curves) and 10 (solid curves).

FIG. 4: (Color online) Stationary distributions of (a) $f_S(u)$ and (b) $f_B(u)$ with $N_S = 10$ for various N_B : $N_B = 10$ (solid curves), 100 (dashed curves) and 1000 (chain curves).

FIG. 5: (Color online) Stationary distributions of $f_S(u)$ and $f_B(u)$ for (a) $c_0 = 1.0$, (b) 10.0 and (c) 100.0 in $c_{kn} = c_0/N_S N_B$: chain (solid) curve denotes f_S for $N_S = 1$ ($N_S = 10$), and dotted (dashed) curve expresses f_B for $N_S = 1$ ($N_S = 10$) with $N_B = 100$, $f_B(u)$ being divided by a factor of two.

FIG. 6: (Color online) Stationary distributions of $f_S(u)$ (solid curves) and $f_B(u)$ (dashed curves) for (a) $\omega_n = 1.0$, (b) $\omega_n \in [0.5, 1.5]$ and (c) $\omega_n \in [2.0, 3.0]$ with $N_S = 10$ and $N_B = 100$, $f_B(u)$ being divided by a factor of two.

FIG. 7: (Color online) Stationary distributions of $f_S(u)$ for (a) $N_S = 1$ and (b) $N_S = 10$ with $N_B = 100$ for various m/M : $m/M = 1.0$ (solid curves), 0.1 (dashed curves) and 0.01 (chain curves).

FIG. 3: (Color online) Stationary distributions of (a) $f_S(u)$ and (b) $f_B(u)$ with $N_S = 1$ for various N_B : $N_B = 10$ (solid curves), 100 (dashed curves) and 1000 (chain curves).

FIG. 8: (Color online) N_S dependences of μ_η and σ_η of systems ($\eta = S$) and baths ($\eta = B$) with $N_B = 100$: filled (open) circles show μ_S (σ_S), and filled (open) squares μ_B (σ_B) with $c_0 = 10.0$: filled (open) triangles express μ_S (σ_S) calculated with $c_0 = 1.0$: filled (open) diamonds denote μ_S (σ_S) calculated with the coupling given by $c_{kn} = 1.0/\sqrt{10N_S N_B}$ [Eq. (31)] (see text).

FIG. 9: (Color online) The u dependence of $f_S(u)$ for (a) $N_S = 1$, (b) $N_S = 2$, (c) $N_S = 5$ and (d) $N_S = 10$ with $N_B = 100$ obtained by our direct simulation (DS: solid curves) and the Γ distribution (Γ) given by Eq. (36) (dashed curved). Chain curves in (a) and (b) express the q - Γ distribution (q - Γ) given by Eq. (45) (see text).

FIG. 10: (Color online) The u dependence of $f_S(u)$ for (a) $N_S = 1$, (b) $N_S = 2$, (c) $N_S = 5$ and (d) $N_S = 10$ with $N_B = 100$ obtained by the MCA II with $\epsilon_0 = 1.0$ (dashed curves), 0.1 (dotted curves) and 0.01 (chain curves) [Eqs. (69)-(71)], solid curves expressing DS results.

FIG. 11: (Color online) The u dependence of $f_S(u)$ of ideal-gas systems for (a) $N_S = 1$, (b) $N_S = 2$, (c) $N_S = 5$ and (d) $N_S = 10$ with $N_B = 100$: DS (IG: solid curves), the Γ distribution (Γ (IG): dashed curves) and the q - Γ distribution (q - Γ (IG): chain curves). For a comparison, DS results for oscillator system (OSC) are plotted by dotted curves (see text).

FIG. 12: (Color online) N_S dependences of μ_η and σ_η of ideal gas systems ($\eta = S$: circles) and baths ($\eta = B$: squares) with $N_B = 100$: filled and open marks denote mean and RMS, respectively.

FIG. 13: (Color online) Stationary distributions of (a) $f_S(u)$ and (b) $f_B(u)$ of the model B for $N_S = 1$ (dashed curves) and 10 (solid curves) with $N_B = 100$.

FIG. 14: (Color online) Stationary distributions of (a) $f_S(u)$ and (b) $f_B(u)$ of the model C for $N_S = 1$ (dashed curves) and 10 (solid curves) with $N_B = 100$.

FIG. 15: (Color online) The q - Γ distribution $g_q(u)$ [Eq. (A4)] for (a) $a = 0.5$, (b) 1.0, (c) 1.5, (d) 2.0, (e) 3.0 and (f) 4.0 with $b = 1.0$: $q = 0.9$ (chain curves), 1.0 (dashed curves) and 1.1 (solid curves).

FIG. 16: (Color online) The s dependence of a_s for $N = 10$ (dashed curve), 20 (chain curve), 50 (dotted curve) and 100 (solid curve) [Eq. (C6) or (91)].

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